REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow. This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Claims 69-71, 73-80, 82 and 89-92 are now pending in this application. No claims are added, cancelled or amended.

Applicants appreciate the courtesy extended by the Examiner in conducting a telephone interview with the undersigned representative on August 24, 2007. During the telephone interview, a possibility of submitting a declaration from an expert in the art was discussed.

As requested by the Examiner, applicants enclose herewith a Rule 132 Declaration by Dr. Richard Czerw. In the Declaration, Dr. Czerw explains why the article by Zhu (Science 3 May 2002 Vol. 296), which was used to reject claims 69-75 and 77-83 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b), does not teach or suggest an individual single-walled carbon nanotube having a length of at least 1 mm, as recited in claims 69 and 79.

Applicants incorporate by reference and reiterate all arguments made in the Amendment filed on November 30, 2007 and respectfully submit that paragraphs 5-7 and 10-12 of the Declaration supports the prior arguments made in the November 30, 2007 Amendment. Furthermore, paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Declaration provide additional reasons why the Zhu article does not teach or suggest an individual single-walled carbon nanotube having a length of at least 1 mm, as recited in claims 69 and 79 of the present application.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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